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Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Deputy Director of Plans

Dear Sir:

On July 29, 1955, I sent to the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission a letter concerning the request of Senator Eastland, Chairman of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, for all of the documents seized early in 1945 from the files of the now defunct Amerasia Magazine in New York City which are presently in the possession of the Department of Justice. Since some of the documents involved the Commission, the Chairman was asked whether the documents which were within his purview could be declassified by him for dissemination to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee.

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It is therefore requested that you review the brief description of the documents set out in the attachment in order to determine in light of Section 4 of Executive Order No. 10501, dated November 5, 1953, whether the documents involved are presently classified and, if so, whether they can be declassified at this time and released to Senator Eastland's Internal Security Subcommittee by this Department without impairing the national security of the United States.

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In this connection, reference is made to my letter
to you dated July 29, 1955, in which I forwarded to you four
attachments containing a brief description of other documents
seized from the now defunct Amerasia Magazine in 1945 and
which are within the purview of your Agency as to classification.
I would appreciate your advising me of the progress being made
by your Agency in order that I may comply with Senator Eastland's
request as early as possible. To facilitate identification and
review of the documents referred to above, I will see that
facilities are provided for you to inspect and analyze those
documents, if you desire.

Sincerely,

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